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**Subject:** FW: Effluent data at Piney Point?  
**Attachments:** BMR-TAMPA-2021-04-06-03-C-0128476.PDF; BMR-TAMPA-2021-04-06-03-B-0128400.PDF

Data...

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**From:** Walters, Jennifer <Jennifer.Walters@dep.state.fl.us>  
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**Subject:** RE: Effluent data at Piney Point?

Hi Tara,

Please see the attached lab reports. The results from an April 5<sup>th</sup> effluent sampling event were finalized yesterday afternoon and late in the evening. This sample was collected by Manatee County and location information on where the effluent was collected was not provided. Please see the nonconformance report details on why the data is qualified.

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, DEP staff collected samples that were submitted to an EPA lab. Split sampling did not occur.

I've copied in Julie Espy who has been helping to coordinate sampling efforts.

Thank you,  
Jen

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**Subject:** RE: Effluent data at Piney Point?

Good morning Jen,

Thank you again for sending us the Oculus links and calling last week to follow-up. This week I received a copy of the April 5<sup>th</sup> effluent data via one of our OSC. On April 8<sup>th</sup> FDEP and EPA split effluent samples at 2 locations. I would like to request FDEP's results from that April 8<sup>th</sup> sampling effort. Are you able to help me obtain those results or should I reach out to a different contact?

Thank you,  
Tara

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**Subject:** RE: Effluent data at Piney Point?

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for reaching out. See the responses below – highlighted in yellow.

Please feel free contact me if additional information is needed or if there are questions. Many staff are working on the emergency response efforts down in Tampa right now.

Thank you,



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**Subject:** Effluent data at Piney Point?

Good afternoon Jen,

Following up on our call this morning, basically the EPA would like to know what effluent data you have and how we can access it. We tried looking in ECHO & ICIS for the permit (FL0000124-003-AA) referenced in the Emergency Order but didn't see anything (likely due to the age and facility transfers). I understand that Julie Espy's group is collecting monitoring data that will post at <https://protectingfloridatogether.gov/PineyPointUpdate>.

1. There is facility and FDEP effluent data being collected & reported, right? The Emergency Order appears to require the facility to report effluent data daily when they discharge.  
"HRK shall provide a status report, at least once every 24 hours, during the effective period of this Emergency Final Order that shall include, at a minimum, the following information: [...] 7) Estimated flow rates or ranges for any Emergency Temporary Discharge; and 8) Representative water quality data including turbidity, pH, and specific conductance, as measured for the Emergency Temporary Discharge."

The daily status reports with the water quality data are being placed in the OCULUS document database  
OCULUS Link to the HRK Status Reports:

[https://depdms.dep.state.fl.us:443/Oculus/servlet/shell?command=hitlist&\[freeText=\]&\[folderName=\]&\[profile=Discovery Compliance\]&\[creator=\]&\[entityType=any\]&\[createdDateTo=\]&\[catalog=26\]&\[searchBy=Profile\]&\[sortBy=Received+Date\]&\[createdDate=\]&\[County= EQ MANATEE\]&\[District= EQ SWD\]&\[Facility-Site+ID= EQ MMR\\_FL0000124}](https://depdms.dep.state.fl.us:443/Oculus/servlet/shell?command=hitlist&[freeText=]&[folderName=]&[profile=Discovery Compliance]&[creator=]&[entityType=any]&[createdDateTo=]&[catalog=26]&[searchBy=Profile]&[sortBy=Received+Date]&[createdDate=]&[County= EQ MANATEE]&[District= EQ SWD]&[Facility-Site+ID= EQ MMR_FL0000124})

2. Where is the data going (i.e., database, website...)?

The reports are placed in our OCULUS Document database.

3. How can the EPA see/access the data?

<https://depdms.dep.state.fl.us/Oculus/servlet/search>

Use the following criteria in the screenshot below to access the records. Also, attached is a nine page guide on how to use OCULUS. Please feel free to reach out or let me know if you run into issues.

The screenshot shows the OCULUS search interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Search', 'Actions', 'Tools', 'Help', and 'Logout'. The 'Search' section is active, displaying a list of catalogs on the left and search filters on the right. The 'Catalog' list includes 'DSL Public Lands', 'DSL Revenue Processing Management', 'ERP - Environmental Resource Permitting', 'Hazardous Waste', 'Mining & Minerals Regulation', and 'NPDES Storm Water'. The 'Search By' dropdown is set to 'Profile'. The 'Profile' dropdown is set to 'Administrative'. The 'Sort By' dropdown is set to 'Received Date'. The 'Type' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Created' date range is set to 'MM-DD-YYYY' to 'MM-DD-YYYY'. The 'County' dropdown is set to 'MANATEE'. The 'District' dropdown is set to 'SWD'. The 'Facility-Site ID' dropdown is set to 'MMR\_FL0000124'. The 'Document Date' range is set to 'From MM-DD-YYYY' to 'To MM-DD-YYYY'. The 'Received Date' range is set to 'From MM-DD-YYYY' to 'To MM-DD-YYYY'. The 'Document Type' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Contractor ID' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Inspection Type' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Facility Type' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Application Number' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Permit Number' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Document Subject' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Search' button is visible at the bottom.

4. Do you have rad results from 2021? If so, from when and where may we access those results?
  - a. If not, I understand there was some 2019 data that could help give us an understanding of some past sample results. I believe the old permit required sampling for Alpha Gross Radioactivity & Total Radium 226 + Radium 228, so that would likely be what was sampled in 2019.

It appears that the most recent outfall gross alpha results were sampled on 09/14/2020 and are contained in the document at the link below. All submitted sampling data can be located by searching the "Sampling" Profile with the same catalog and Facility ID pictured above in the screenshot.

[https://depdms.dep.state.fl.us:443/Oculus/servlet/shell?command=getEntity&\[guid=26.99712.1\]&\[profile=Sampling\]](https://depdms.dep.state.fl.us:443/Oculus/servlet/shell?command=getEntity&[guid=26.99712.1]&[profile=Sampling])

Please don't hesitate to call if you would like to discuss further.

Thank you,

Tara

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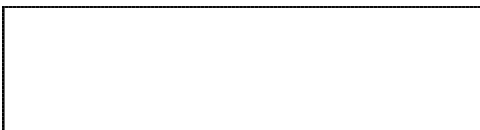
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